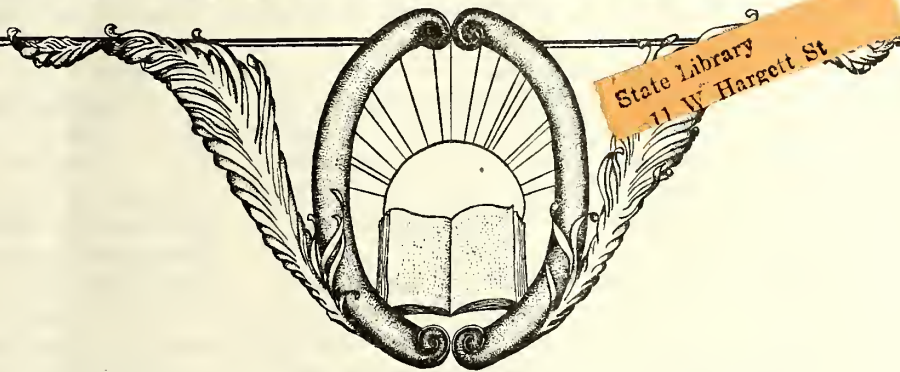


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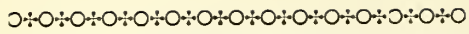
THE GUERDON AND THE QUEST.

For many generations men have lauded Victory: Let us now, rather, rejoice in the struggle that goes before a victory. For success is only a tardy recognition of long battles fought bravely and without recognition, and fame is but a toy to those who win it. There is no real merit in victory save the dogged virtue that preceded it, and it has no real meaning save as it inspires and sets a goal for effort. When we deem bread more important than the wheat that made it possible, then we may say, as truly, that victory is greater than the struggle.

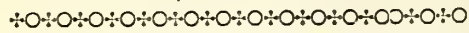
And, as the old heroes of chivalry grew strong by the swift shock of blow on blow, so let the new heroes of justice grow strong, not by war against their fellows, but against things unspeakable. For it is the stern battle for wisdom that yields power to the intellect; it is the old, old travail that accomplishes the grandeur of the mother woman; it is the ceaseless upward urge of the spirit that reaches divinity.

What if we have not won? What if the end is far away? Our days of triumph are not the greatest days. These days of toil and need and travail, when the old wrongs oppress us, may be greater still. For, if the spirit of a righteous struggle abide in our hearts now, it is enough. The guerdon is not so much as the quest, and the quest is ours, today!—Marguerite Ogden Bigelow.

ORGAN OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.



EDITORIAL.



LAW AND LIFE.

He that loveth his neighbor hath fulfilled the law. Rom. 13:8.

Law was not made to destroy life, but to save it. All law, human and divine, is given with this in view—to preserve, promote, and promulgate life. So life is more than law, and love is more than life. Law is made to preserve life, and all life is born of love. Life is love's chief off-spring.

A man may keep the law, and yet do violence to love and to life. You and your neighbor may each keep the law relative to each other and still be at enmity and strife and even bitterness. The mother never asks what the law is between herself and her child. Still she obeys the law—and something more. She fulfills the law—fills the law full to overflowing.

The most of our duties in this life are social duties—duties to fellowman. If we discharge these well we shall have an inheritance beyond the stars. For he serves God best who serves his fellowman most and best. No man is faithful to his God who is faithless to his neighbors. It is a contradiction to say that we love God and hate our neighbors. “If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? (I John4:20.) A man shows his love for God by serving, through love, his brother, his fellowman. If we profess to love God and then proceed to act as if we hated or did not love our brethren, our neighbor, those around about us, there is not much in our profession but hollowness and hypocrisy.

Just as it takes two to make a bargain, so likewise does it take two to make a quarrel. Be not one of the two. There is danger in that. Evan Roberts was wont to say, "If you are not at one with all, it is a proof that you are not at one with God."

“There’s a time for work and a time for
play,

A time for everything good each day;
But never a time in this short life

For quarrel and angry words and strife.

The trouble with hatred and enmity and envy and malice is that it reduces us ourselves to the low levels where we are not due to be and to dwell. Booker Washington packed philosophy into his declamation: "I will permit no enemy to degrade my soul to the level of hatred." Hatred, animosity, enmity degrade the soul. Remember that out of the soul

grows all the fullness and fragrance of life, and if we poison that we vitiate the fountain. "The tint of the flower proceeds from the roots," said Emerson, and we want to keep the roots in fertile soil that the tint may be rich and fragrant.

Love to neighbor fulfills the law because it helps the neighbor and saves the soul.

THE CONVENTION.

(Proceedings of the nineteenth biennial session of the Southern Christian Convention held at Elon College April 30—May 3, 1912, continued from page 6, Christian Sun, May 8).

Following the Report and discussion on Foreign Missions, which concluded our account last week, Dr. E. L. Moffitt, Chairman, read the Report on Schools and Colleges, the salient facts and features of which were as follows:

Report of Board of Education.

We are pleased to note that the past two years, since this body met, have been marked by great progress on the part of all the colleges of the Christian Church. Throughout the North and West, as well as in the South, there have been many evidences of renewed and increased interest in our several institutions of learning, and this has resulted in increased attendance, better equipments, and larger endowments.

Elon College.

We are especially gratified at the evidence of progress at Elon College, the educational center of this Convention, and we wish to re-affirm our faith in its high and wholesome ideals, and to renew our pledge of loyalty to the Board of Trustees, the President and the Faculty.

As is already known to the members of this Convention, former President E. L. Moffitt resigned his position on account of his health last June, and Professor W. A. Harper was chosen by the Board as his successor, and entered upon his duties immediately after commencement. We are pleased to commend the wisdom of the Board in the selection of President Moffitt's successor, and to President Harper we wish to pledge the continued loyalty of this Convention, and of the faithful brotherhood which it represents.

With the exception of an increased "off-year," which comes in the history of every institution, there has been a constant increase in patronage and a steady strengthening in the financial condition at Elon ever since its opening in 1890. For several years its curriculum has been recognized as being equal to any of the best colleges of the country, and the character of the work done has been such as to merit the commendation and recognition of all the higher universities.

As is the custom of the Board, we give herewith a few facts showing something of the nature of the progress that has been made during the past four years. (We cover the four-year period for the reason that, on account of the illness of the Chairman of the Board immediately before and during the last session of the Convention, the usual statistics were omitted two years ago). The facts relating to finances are taken from the official records of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the College, and the other facts are furnished by the President of the College:

Students Matriculated.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
211	216	194	236

Total number Full Graduates since the College opened its doors, 170.

Number Ministers graduated since the College opened, 34.

While the facts for the present year belong to the next Convention period, we are pleased to note that the total enrollment for the year is 267. The enrollment in the departments is as follows: Music, 93; Art, 16; Elocution, 18; Ministerial, 34; and the number in the Graduating Class, 17; total number in Normal Course, 25.

Receipts From Tuition and Fees.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
\$15,788.53	\$11,659.85	\$8,940.58	\$12,615.12

Salaries Paid.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
\$ 9,302.50	\$ 8,280.00	\$7,540.00	\$10,567.00

Receipts From A. C. C.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
\$ 350.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 218.00	\$ 200.00

Receipts Elon Col. Fund (Conferences).

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
\$ 1,330.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$1,450.00	\$ 1,400.00

Receipts From Endowment.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
\$ 767.50	\$ 785.00	\$ 996.00	\$ 996.00

Francis Asbury Palmer Fund.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
— \$	500.00	\$1,500.00	\$ 1,100.00

Total Cash Receipts (All Sources).

1967-8	1968-9	1969-10	1970-11
\$21,061.83	\$19,583.05	\$19,421.54	\$29,088.89

Total Disbursements.

1907-8	1908-9	1909-10	1910-11
\$20,282.78	\$19,856.89	\$19,943.89	\$25,471.71

Present endowment, \$31,800.00; in addition to this as seen from the above, the annual Fund from the conferences is equivalent to about another \$30,000.00 and the annual appropriations from the Francis Asbury Palmer Fund, averaging so far an income from something like another \$20,000.00, and the annual appropriation from A. C. C., an income from \$4,000.00 more. While these last named items cannot be regarded as fixed endowments, we

see no reason why they should not be continued from year to year, and we are hoping that they may even be increased, as the needs of the College demand it, and as their ability to respond shall increase.

Insurance.

The amount of insurance on the College property remains as at the last report, \$40,800.60, with the addition of an accident policy for \$10,000.00 on the boiler at Power House.

Elon College Fund.

We again recommend the continuation of the Elon College Fund, with the same apportionment as before, and urge that our conference officials endeavor to get the churches to send the amounts in full.

Theological Department.

We have nothing new to report in reference to this Department, but presume that Rev. J. W. Wellons, the Convention's authorized representative of the work, will make his report to you during the session of this Convention.

The Special Fund of \$50,000.00

We are pleased to report that the Special Fund of \$50,000.00 for Elon College, authorized by the Board of Trustees, and approved by this Convention, for the purpose of meeting the indebtedness on the College, incurred by reason of the building of West Dormitory and the Central Power Plant, and the installation of complete water, light, and heating systems for all the College buildings, and other improvements, has been subscribed in full, and when paid, will take care of all the indebtedness against the College, and by the time the bonds mature.

For the consummation of this great undertaking, we owe a debt of gratitude to every individual who has in any way contributed to the success of the movement, and above all to our kind Heavenly Father who has revealed to us our unrealized possibilities, and Who has put it into the hearts of His people to respond so liberally to the call, and to meet the responsibility with a readiness unparalleled in the history of our brotherhood.

President Harper has just issued a Bulletin giving a complete history of the movement, and recording the names of all those who have subscribed to the Fund. This should be preserved in the archives of the College as a perpetual memorial to those who have helped in a time of great need, and as an example and inspiration to all those who should be ready to respond to any future worthy appeals that may be made to them.

Improvements.

Several important physical improvements have been made during the last Convention period, the most important, perhaps, being the boring of a deep well,

which affords an abundant supply of pure water, the installation of a hot water supply for all the college buildings, the extension of the sewer lines, the building of a three-story porch to West Dormitory, the putting in of fire escapes on all the buildings, shower baths at East Dormitory, and a number of other improvements.

Needs.

The College still needs many things that can and must be supplied from time to time as we are in position to do so: a gymnasium building, laboratory building, enlarged library facilities, infirmaries, a larger endowment, etc., etc. Here is a fruitful field of great usefulness on the part of private individuals who may be in position to make donations and bequests from time to time as these and other needs may enlist their interest.

Memorial.

Your Board is in receipt of the following Memorial from the Alabama and Georgia and Alabama Conferences:

"To the Southern Christian Convention: The Alabama and Georgia and Alabama Christian Conferences, realizing the imperative need of a denominational school in our midst, have appointed and authorized a committee to draft and present to the Southern Christian Convention a memorial, asking that the Convention take some action in that direction."

"We, the Committee, therefore memorialize the Southern Christian Convention to take immediate steps towards the establishment of a collegiate institute for the education and training of our young people for Christian service, this institute to be located somewhere within the bounds of these conferences."

G. O. Lankford, E. M. Carter, J. T. Clack, Committee representing the Alabama Conference.

W. T. Hodges, H. W. Elder, J. H. Floyd, Committee representing the Georgia and Alabama Conference."

Your Board has carefully considered the above Memorial, and begs to recommend as follows:

That this Convention endorse the idea of the establishment of the proposed Collegiate Institute, when there shall be reasonable assurance of adequate support for the undertaking, and that the Board of Education of this Convention co-operate with the Committees of the Alabama and Georgia and Alabama Conferences in investigating the situation and in devising plans for the inauguration of the movement. Said Board, however, not to incur any financial obligation upon this Convention in furthering the enterprise.

Bequests.

No bequests have become available to the College since our last report. We

wish, however, to keep this idea before friends, with the hope that many of us may remember the College in our wills, for large or small amounts, as our circumstances may permit. This should be a source of great helpfulness to the College as the years go by.

E. L. Moffitt, W. S. Long, W. G. Clements, Board of Education.

Pending the report, Pres. W. A. Harper delivered a forceful and comprehensive address on "Education Among the Christians South." The report was further discussed by Chairman Moffitt and adopted. The Convention then nominated the following, from which twelve names the Board of Trustees of Elon College will, at its next session in June, elect six members to take the place of the six whose term expires at that time: G. W. Truitt, Suffolk, Va.; J. Beale Johnson, Cardenas, N. C.; J. W. Wellons, Elon College; G. S. Watson, Elon College; K. B. Johnson, Cardenas, N. C.; R. M. Morrow, Burlington, N. C.; E. L. Moffitt, Ashboro, N. C.; J. D. Gray, Waverly, Va.; W. T. Walters, Winchester, Va.; G. O. Lankford, Wadley, Ala.; J. R. Foster, Burlington, N. C.; T. E. White, Ramseur, N. C., the first six named being those whose term expires this year.

Prof. W. P. Lawrence read the Report on the Laymen's Movement, showing that little had been done in the Convention the past two years by the Movement, though various missionary associations have been organized and developed in which the laymen take part and are interested. It was recommended that the Conferences develop their associations, and that local laymen's leagues be organized in the churches to increase mission education and mission funds.

After discussion by Chairman Lawrence the Report was adopted.

It was moved and carried that the Convention ask the North Carolina Christian Loan Fund Association to turn over its funds to the Home Mission Board of the Convention to be placed in Church Extension Loan Fund provided for by previous vote of this session.

The following special Report of the Home Mission Board was adopted: We heartily favor the idea of building a Christian church in Washington, D. C., upon the following conditions:

1st. That a suitable and eligible site can be obtained on reasonable terms;

2nd. That the Mission Council of the American Christian Convention co-operate with us in making it a memorial church;

3rd. That the Chairman of this Board together with the President of this Convention visit Washington and ascertain

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MEMORIAL FAVORABLY RECEIVED.

The memorial drafted by a joint committee from the Alabama and the Georgia and Alabama Conferences to the Southern Christian Convention to undertake the establishment of a church school somewhere within the bounds of these conferences, was presented to the Convention in its recent session and same was received with favorable consideration and sympathetic interest. The Convention gives this movement its most hearty endorsement and the Educational Board, through which all educational matters are directed, gave us the assurance that one, or more, members of that board would visit our conferences in Georgia and Alabama sometime during the year and go over the situation with us, looking towards the ultimate establishment of a school in our midst. Thus we see the willingness of the Convention to cooperate with us in this matter of building up our educational interests.

The members of the joint committee, whose business it was to draft and present the memorial and who attended the Convention, have this to report to our people generally that the Convention has promised to do all that we expected just now. We did not expect that body to employ a man to take the field at once in a campaign for funds with which to build a school: we expected a careful, thorough investigation to be made and this is what the Convention proposes to do. We feel that such is the part of wisdom and of sound judgment.

It must be remembered that it takes time to bring about reforms and to build up great institutions. Schools and colleges do not grow up in a day; sometimes years are required. It took years to get a movement for our beloved Elon College thoroughly launched and properly carried forward. So we need not be discouraged if we do not succeed in the establishment of a denominational school in our midst within the next five or ten years. It would be a hundred times better to postpone this matter ten years and then build substantially a school that could be successfully operated than to build unwisely within the next twelve months. But we believe we can build wisely and well sometime in the not distant future and we express the hope that this will be done. In the meantime let us not become weary or impatient, but may we continue to labor and think, plan and pray, and in due season we shall reap if we faint not. G. O. Lankofrd.

"The awakening of China which now seems to be at hand," said his excellency

Tuan Fang, "may be traced in no small measure to the work of the missionary. For this service you will not find China ungrateful."

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE WORK OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

The last session of the Christian Convention was perhaps one of the most progressive in its history. The establishment of a Convention Loan Fund will meet a long felt need in our church for the building of the new houses of worship especially in towns and cities. The call for an increased and definite amount for Foreign Missions together with the prominence given to the work of the Women's Home and Foreign Mission Board will mean an increased activity along that line. The encouragement of our young people is a step in the right direction and will mean a larger per cent of active church members in the future church. The splendid work of President Harper in completing the Special Fund of \$50,000, as officially reported to the convention, is a great stimulus to our educational interest, which will be still further augmented when our brethren in Georgia and Alabama establish the proposed collegiate institute. The plan to erect a publishing house for the advancement of the Christian Sun and our other publications meets an imperative necessity for the promotion of our cause in the South.

All the above means more than is apparent on the surface. The fact that a few hundred a year is to be set aside as a loan fund and that more attention is to be given to the missions and to the interest of our young people and that we have raised \$50,000 for Elon College and are planning to build a publishing house, does not reveal the deeper meaning of these movements nor their far reaching effects upon our denomination.

They mean that our people are getting a larger vision of their work and opportunities, and that through prayer and sacrifice they are going to use the resources and develop the capabilities at their command toward the realization of this vision. What we are doing now is but an earnest of what we will do in the future.

We may never advance by leaps and bounds but step by step we will climb the hill of progress, with an ever widening view of our opportunities, a broader vision of our mission, a firmer faith in our abilities and a more thorough concentration of our forces; we shall gradually approach the high purpose for which we were founded viz. a church that follows the Bible ideal.

Winchester, N. C.

W. T. Walters.

RALEIGH CHRISTIAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Reported last week—

Subscriptions, 330;	amt., \$6,933.75
L. P. Brook	1.00
B. G. Cowper & Son	1.00
R. C. Davis	1.00
T. B. Yates	2.00
C. W. Mumford	2.00
W. A. Smith	2.00
N. A. Dunn	5.00
W. T. Wrenn	5.00
W. R. Andrews, Jr.	5.00
J. C. Little	5.00
C. C. McDonald	10.00
Howell Cobb	25.00
Dr. Z. M. Caveness	25.00

Subscriptions, 343; tot. amt, \$7,022.75

Dear Friend:

One thousand subscriptions will close this matter and will guarantee what we need for the present generation in church building at Raleigh. Please remember us.

L. F. Johason, Pastor.

MINISTERIAL STUDENTS MEET.

Representatives of the Ministerial Students' Association of the colleges of this State met at Trinity College April 20-27, and organized the North Carolina Association of Ministerial Students. The purpose of the Association is to bring about a brotherly feeling among those men who are preparing to become ministers; to institute a personal acquaintance among those who are some day to be preachers in the State, and to destroy any antagonism that might exist between different denominations. The students will meet annually. The next session will convene at the University of North Carolina in the fall.

The organization resulted in the following officers and committees: President, A. R. Parshley, of the University of North Carolina, Episcopalian; Vice President, C. E. Rozzelle, of Trinity College, Methodist; Secretary-Treasurer, Carl B. Riddle, of Elon College, Christian; Chairman Executive Committee, W. S. Golden; of Davidson College, Presbyterian; Chairman of Constitution Committee, John G. Truitt, of Elon College, Christian; Chairman of Finance Committee, Mr. Riddle. The Association will issue quarterly a news bulletin, which will contain a report in letter form from the Secretary of the Secretary of each local organization. This news bulletin will be mailed to each ministerial student in the State.

John G. Truitt.

Hold on to your temper when you are excited, or angry, or others are angry with you.

HIGH POINT.

My Dear Bro. Atkinson:—

Yesterday at three o'clock we met at the M. P. Church. We had a few of our members present but not enough to perfect an organization of anything but a prayer meeting which we held, and thanks to our heavenly Father it was a chain of prayer for our work. We will meet again next Sunday and again ask God to help us in our work and pray that He will open a way for our church in High Point. Owing to so few being present some of our members of course seem to think we could hardly do anything and suggested that we would appeal to the Western N. C. Conference to send us some one for a short while to canvass the field, and see what the results would be. But your humble servant plead with them and tried to show what their responsibility was toward their church, that we had a good beginning and to keep up the habit of meeting at least once a week and if we could do nothing else we could sing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" so after this suggestion, I am glad to say every one took fresh courage and decided we should meet once a week and ask God to arrange and direct us to work for Him and our dearly beloved Christian church. So, brethren, we are going to have a Christian church in High Point, yes we are going to have one. We members of the Christian church are not going to let our brethren around enjoy the blessings of the Christian church without sharing it with us. But we are sorry to say that we are dependent, yes we are only a remnant, only a few of us in this enterprising city. We are depending on you for prayers, if nothing else. So brethren pray for us and pray without ceasing that God will help us in this our work in High Point. For I feel that this city someday, will have a Christian church that will stand as a living monument to our cause. I am glad to say that we have one Elon College Church member who is greatly interested in our work here and who is doing everything she can for our cause. I refer to Miss Cora Lawrence, the daughter of Rev. W. W. Lawrence of the Western N. C. Conference. Miss Lawrence is an estimable Christian lady and has her heart and soul in the work. We have several loyal members here who are willing and ready to do anything for our cause for they love the Christian Church, love its principles, and all they need is a little encouragement to push them along. So brethren, give us a few moments of your spare time in prayer for our cause here. Also stop and think what a mistake you will make if you neglect High Point because it is one of the coming cities of this State

and on the boundary line of the Western N. C. Conference only a few miles from our beloved Elon College. Brethren please awake to our cause, listen to our pleading and if necessity sends us some one to assist us for a short while the seed sown will not be cast on barren soil, but by and by we will be able to float a banner that will show that High Point is a banner church. We have recently been blessed here with a great revival, conducted by Rev. Herbert Booth of England and the youngest son of Gen. Wm. Booth founder of the Salvation Army. I am afraid my letter is already too long but I must not forget to say a word about our gifted and much beloved editor who made a short trip over here about two weeks ago and preached for us and I am glad to say helped all his hearers. He preached a good sermon, one that I wish every member of our church could have heard. Pastor Dixon of the M. P. Church was very anxious to get our beloved Editor to fill his regular appointment next Sunday, and we are very sorry he could not come. However pastor Dixon says he will be glad to have Dr. Atkinson any time to preach for him at his regular service hour. Our M. P. brethren have been very kind to us in letting us have their house of worship for our service. Now brethren don't forget to write us any suggestions. A good brother from Portsmouth Va. wrote us a very encouraging letter a few days ago, and it greatly helped us.

With the best wishes to one and all, I am your humble servant, pleading for our cause.
Jno. L. Carr.

High Point, N. C.

HENDERSON LETTER.

Our series of meetings began with our Wednesday night prayer-meeting Feb. 13th and continued for eight days. Rev. L. E. Smith was with us after the first service. The church was greatly revived. There were about ten professions and re-dedications and we received during the meeting six splendid members into the church. The meetings were well attended and I am sure much good was done on the side of our own church. Bro. Smith did splendid preaching and faithful work. Our people will be glad to have him come again. Our congregations have been better this spring than formerly. The Sunday School is gradually adding new members. The C. E. Society was entertained Tuesday evening April 23rd at the home of Mrs. H. W. Pelston, there were refreshments in abundance, and served to about forty guests. A delightful evening was spent in a social way and we believe it was beneficial to both the Society and invited guest.

The severe winter has interfered with my country congregations, except at my new church in Halifax co. Va. There I always have good congregations. The church is in a community in which there is no other place of worship. While most of the people have church relations, they seem to appreciate having a church convenient to them I see good prospects here for a strong church in the future. Our membership of thirty-five are among the most loyal I have ever served.

There is no special news from my other churches. The hard winter and some other causes have made it necessary to postpone the rebuilding of Fuller's. Virgilina is planning to make some improvements on the house of worship this year. Liberty will entertain the Eastern N. C. S. S. Convention in July. This church has recently done what I have never had a country church to do before. The members have paid my salary up to date in the middle of the conference year, something that I greatly appreciate and I am of the candid opinion that if our country churches would pay their pastors more promptly, the preacher would be relieved of much embarrassment that his people know but little of and the people could get better service from the ministers. The preacher cannot do his best work in the pulpit or out among his people when obligations are upon him involving his personal honor and he unable to meet the same. The C. E. Society of this church gave a sociable at the school house on the church grounds Friday evening April 26th. There were besides the forty or more members of the society, a number of invited guests. A pleasant and profitable evening was spent. The C. E. prayer meeting and Sunday school are doing good work. C. E. Newman.

MARRIED.**Richardson-Brittle.**

A pretty marriage was solemnized at the home of the late Jimmie Brittle, brother of the bride, on April 24, 1912, at 5 o'clock, when Miss Sarah Etta, and Albert Sidney Richardson, became as one.

Mrs. Odie Richardson played the wedding march, and the writer read the marriage ceremony.

Miss Etta is a highly respected and much beloved lady of her community. Mr. Richardson, is a citizen of Spring Hill community. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Richardson, much esteemed by all who know him and a farmer for several years.

The large number who witnessed the marriage and a host of friends throughout their communities wish them a long and happy life.
C. C. Jones.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—Write us, Brother Minister and Delegate, and tell Sun readers what you thought of the Convention and its work.

—Rev. J. W. Wellons was quite unwell the past week, but is much improved and is able to be up some at this writing.

—Convention proceedings have right of way this week and much other important matter is crowded out. It was necessary that we give Convention proceedings at length because the minutes will not appear until the next Annual is issued about Jan. 1.

—Dr. A. W. Lightbourne promises to write us "A Dover Letter" for The Sun occasionally. Wherefore our own hearts are glad and Sunreaders will greatly profit; even to greater extent indeed if the Doctor would make it a Dover Letter every week, to place along beside our always great Suffolk Letter.

—President W. A. Harper and C. C. Peel accompanied Rev. J. L. Foster to Mt. Auburn, Warren County, N. C., last Saturday to be present and speak Sunday to the great throngs that gather there on that day for their annual memorial service. They usually have the house and the yard full and it requires two to three speakers to accommodate the great audiences.

—This writer was with Pastor J. V. Knight at Shallow Ford Church, Alamance County, N. C., last Sunday for a memorial service in the morning and a missionary service in the afternoon. Large audiences were present, flowers were plentiful, dinner was abundant, music was excellent, and the attention patient and inspiring. Bro. Knight spoke eloquently in delivering the memorial address and conducted all the exercises in reverential and becoming manner. He is justly loved by his people and is doing good work in building up the cause at this point. It was a joy to spend the good day with him and his good people. A portion of the Elon College orchestra assisted in the fine and fitting music of the occasion.

—President Taft issued a personal statement from the White House Sunday night, May 12, declaring that he had never in any wise shown any undue favors to the Catholics or any other Church, but had endeavored to be fair and just to all churches alike, and had tried to encourage, as best he knew, all churches in their good work. The President said that the report crediting him with sending Major Archie Butt to Rome on a mission to the Pope was totally and absolutely false and without foundation in fact. He says that the rumors that have gone abroad that he has unduly favored any church

in preference or prejudice are fabrications created and circulated by political foes. We hasten to insert these denials because we have printed, more than once, that which seemed to be authorized facts indicating the President's extreme attitude to the Catholics. We are pleased to note the President's denial.

—On the day our Convention met at Elon College, April 30, the sad intelligence came that Brother Gus. A. Garrison, of Alamance, had been called from labor to reward. Bro. Garrison was a good citizen, of wide acquaintance and great usefulness. He was loyal to his church, and faithful in attendance upon its services. We do not remember visiting Union Church, Union Ridge, N. C., many times, when he was a member, but that we found him in his place, and always an interested listener. We always expected his cordial greeting and good fellowship there and we got it. The editor was pleased to number him among his personal and intimate friends and now that we shall see his face no more a feeling of sadness and sorrow abides. Many Sun readers knew him and will lament his untimely taking off. Dr. W. S. Long, who conducted the funeral, tells in another column of his life, death and burial. We extend a friend's sympathy to the bereaved family whose home we have often visited with pleasure and whose generous hospitality we have shared with joy.

—Our Greensboro people are prodigal of their praise of Dr. A. W. Lightbourne, D. D., who on last Sunday night closed a ten days' meeting with them, in which the Doctor preached twice a day and rendered invaluable service as evangelist and personal worker. We heard him on Tuesday night and should have heard him more, if it had been within our reach. He is original, inspirational, eloquent with great and sublime ideas, and rivets attention from start to finish with freshness and virility of his thought. He is deeply spiritual without being emotional, oratorical without making display; pious without being puerile, and a profound thinker without being obscure. His sermons reach men and awaken the holiest and noblest within them, and all his messages are fraught with heavenly fervor and flavor. Dr. Lightbourne certainly walks close to God and reveals Him in the manner of his living and the methods of his preaching. Our Greensboro people have certainly enjoyed a rare treat and privilege of which fact they are fully aware and for which they are greatly grateful. The church was stirred to profounder zeal and greater activity, some sixteen or more made professions of faith and six united with the church on the

closing day, with others to join later. Dr. Lightbourne left Monday, 13th, for his home at Dover, Delaware, bearing with him the love and the sacred fellowship of a grateful people.

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the facts, price, location, etc., of the prospective site and upon their recommendation this Board proceed to devise some plan for raising funds to secure title to said lot.

The Convention adjourned till 8 P. M., at which hour a large congregation gathered for the services, and Rev. A. W. Lightbourne, D. D., Dover, Delaware, delivered a most able, eloquent and forceful sermon, using as text, Gen. 17:1 and 2. Following this, Drs. Lightbourne and Staley administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in a solemn and impressive manner.

Fourth Day.

The Convention convened at 9 A. M., and devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. P. T. Klapp. After reading records of yesterday sessions the Committee on Finance read its report, passing upon and recommending several financial items which were adopted. A motion then prevailed that the Convention assume the indebtedness to the sum of \$235.50 now in the hands of the Teacher-Training Committee and that this Committee be reimbursed with interest from date, to this amount expended in bringing out Volume II on Teacher Training and that the books on Teacher Training be placed in the hands of the Publishing Agent for sale. The Committee on Apportionments recommended the following which was adopted:

E. Va. Conference, Convention Missions, \$935. Foreign Missions, \$675. Convention Fund, \$200. Elon College Fund, \$820. N. C. and Va. Conference (for each of the four items of the Convention respectively) \$535; \$205; \$125; \$445; Eastern N. C., \$525. \$150., \$75., \$365; W. N. C., \$525, \$150, \$100, \$430; Va. Valley Central, \$70, \$80, \$50, \$100, Ga. and Ala., \$50, \$50, \$20, \$40; Alabama, \$60, \$90, \$30, \$50.

President W. A. Harper, Chairman, read the Report of the Board of Publications whose salient features were as follows:

Report of the Board of Publications.

No matters have claimed our attention since the Suffolk, 1910, session of this body, except the meeting called by our Secretary, W. A. Harper, at the request of Dr. P. H. Fleming, our chairman, to provide our part of the program of this session and to outline the report we are now about to submit to you.

The Christian Sun.

We record with pleasure the growing prestige in the estimation of the public and the gratifying increase of usefulness to our cause and interests of the Christian Sun under the able and efficient editorship of Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D. We feel, however, that the financial burden in some way ought to be lightened for him. As it is, he carries the entire financial risk of the enterprise. To this end we recommend:

That all pastors and officers of the local congregations put forth a greater effort to increase the circulation of The Sun, for there is no surer way to make an editor who is already good a better one, than to add to his subscription list. Likewise the influence of the Church as an ecclesiastical body will be multiplied.

Other Religious Publications.

We heartily commend the Herald of Gospel Liberty, the oldest religious newspaper in the world, under the able editorship of Dr. J. Pressley Barrett, and trust that its circulation among us shall be largely increased.

The Christian Missionary, edited by Drs. O. W. Powers and M. T. Morrill, deserves a larger place in our homes and should have it.

The Sunday school literature of our own Publishing House, Dayton, Ohio, should be used in all our Sunday schools, and the many valuable books published by that establishment should be more in circulation among us.

We recommend that all who need Bibles or other religious books or literature buy the same through the Publishing Agent of this Convention.

The Christian Annual.

The present method of publishing the Christian Annual seems to us to be the best yet devised: namely, that the Conferences should take so many copies of the same for distribution among the churches in such manner as they may elect, and that no Conference publish its minutes separate from the Annual. Many advantages follow, chief of which is the basis of comparison which is thus afforded the observant reader and churchman.

1. We think the Annual can be improved in two particulars: first, by making all the statistical tables uniform, for which the Publishing Agent might do well to print a blank form for the various Conference and Convention secretaries; and secondly, by including in it at their cost, the minutes of the various Sunday school and Young People's Conventions, including those of the Young People's General Convention. This would not cost the organizations in question any more and

would give permanence to their records and insure them a wider reading.

Some Needed Publications.

We urge the publication of religious tracts as the most fruitful and economical method of enlarging our borders. One of the Conferences, the North Carolina and Virginia, asks each church to send up two cents per member for the publication of worthy tracts, and leaves the selection of these tracts and the method of their publication and distribution to its committee on Religious Literature. We commend this to the other Conferences and trust that some plan may be inaugurated by which the Convention itself shall have a fund for this purpose.

2. We feel the need of a Sunday school Teachers' Hand-book. The Teachers' Journal published by the Christian Publishing Association is a worthy publication, thoroughly devotional and inspirational, but we feel that there is need of a help that will contain certain necessary things for the teacher. We think that such a hand-book should give illustrative material, methods of approach to the lessons for the different grades, have departments of exegesis, of biblical quotation, of truths taught, of the application of truths, and contain at least two sets of questions on the lessons, one designed to bring out the essential facts of the lesson, and the other the doctrines thereof in light of other Scriptures. If our Publishing Agent can finance such a publication, we believe it will meet with a ready patronage and fill a real need.

There is a dearth of historical books among us, and we should like to see a number of books dealing with the different phases of our history. The material is at hand; patient investigation will bring large results in gratitude, if not in financial prosperity.

We need more books setting forth our position as a Church, showing how Christian Union can come upon our platform and on no other.

3. Christian Publishing House.

It is our conviction that the Convention needs a Publishing House. It had one before the Civil War, in Suffolk, Va., but it was destroyed by the Federal troops and no provision has been made for its successor, chiefly because Dr. Wellons was willing to undertake the Sun on individual risk with Convention endorsement. We ought to be ready now to make better provision for our publishing interests. The Convention ought to own the Publishing House and use the income of it to improve The Sun and advance our interests generally through helpful publications.

We, therefore, recommend that this

Board be incorporated; that a publishing house be established upon such basis and at such time and place as this Board and the Executive Committee of this Convention may agree.

4. Claim for Property Destroyed.

We are of the opinion that damages can be had for the Publishing House destroyed in Suffolk during the Civil War by Federal troops, and recommend that this board be charged with the duty of investigating the propriety of taking such steps as seem wise and expedient in the matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. A. Harper, W. T. Walters, C. C. Peel, Board of Publications.

Following the Report, Brother Netum Rathbun, Publishing Agent, Dayton, O., delivered a forceful illustrated address on "The Church and Publishing Relations." Following this, Dr. A. W. Lightbourne spoke eloquently and inspiringly on the theme, "Duties and Dangers of the Religious press." The report was further discussed by Rev. C. C. Peel and others and after debate was adopted by items and as a whole was amended. This report is one of the most important coming before the Convention contemplating as it does the establishment of a Publishing House by the Convention and several other important and far-reaching features. At one o'clock the Convention adjourned till 2 p. m.

Friday Afternoon Session.

Convention convened at 2 p. m., President Staley presiding. After reading minutes of the morning session, Rev. D. A. Keys, of South Norfolk, Va., conducted devotional exercises.

The Editor of The Christian Sun and Publishing Agent made his report showing the work done the past two years. The Sun has increased in circulation and two books have been published during the past biennium, namely, Teacher Training Book No. II, and "The Life of Rev. James O'Kelly," by W. E. McCleenny, of Suffolk, Va. These books have had steady sale, but many copies yet remain on hand. The McCleenny book is the most comprehensive and exhaustive ever undertaken on the theme it treats and should be in the home of every member of the Christian Church. All our publications and many other religious books, besides Bibles in various binding, are kept on sale at The Sun office and the The Book Depository is proving a great convenience to our people.

After the report was adopted, J. O. Atkinson was elected Editor of The Christian Sun and Publishing Agent for a period of two years.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS and CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Edited by Charles A. Hines, Greensboro, N. C., editorial secretary of the Young People's General Convention.

Motto: A Christian Endeavor Society in each Church; Teacher Training and Organized Classes in each Sunday-School.

The secretary will be glad to give any information as to any of the things the convention stands for and where literature can be obtained. Contributions are invited and every class or society should make frequent reports to the above address.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSIC.

There is an opportunity for definite work for one or two of the Sunday school classes in the music of the Sunday school. It is well not to forget the power of song. There is no feature of the service that affects the life of the school so much as the music. Lively, spiritual hymns put everybody in the right attitude of mind and heart to enjoy the lesson discussion.

There is abundant room for variety in the musical program. A part of every Sunday's service should be special music by one of the classes. It adds interest to announce that next Sunday morning the male chorus of the Baraca class will furnish the music, or that the children of the primary grades will sing a song just before class recitation.

Some schools make one class responsible for the music and in this way give life to the class and to the musical program. It is better to have different books for the Sunday school from those used in the church services. By all means have a Sunday school organist.

Good music is a member-getter, a member-holder and often more. Remember the aged man who said, "I pray best when the organ rolls," and the little girl who replied when asked why she shut her eyes during the hymn, "Oh, that's because I pray best when I sing."

What is more inspiring than a class of children's voices chirping and thrilling the words of some sweet children's song, or the full, manly roll of a male chorus of several voices? Such a variety will add wonderfully to the school, will advertise your school and make the service much sweeter and more inspiring.

SOMETHING DEFINITE

Classes seeking something definite to do may find something in the way of suggestion in the work done by the men of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago. A committee of active business men, twenty in number, meets once a week

down town for luncheon. At this luncheon the names of men needing friendly attention are reported and care is taken to secure the names and addresses of those who are strangers in the city, and a sharp lookout is kept for young men who are friendless. Each member of the committee stands ready to make at least six calls a week. At the weekly luncheon, reports of these calls are made. This good and quiet work has been going forward for a year, with the result that the attendance of men at the regular services of the church and brotherhood class has been much increased and a friendly feeling toward the church has been established. More men have become members of the church than in previous year. Referring to the plan one writer says:

"The one essential feature of this plan is definiteness; definite men do the work; definite calls assigned; definite reports expected and received."

The success of the A. B. C. Movement is due to a large extent to giving men something definite and worth while to do.

IN A CONNECTICUT SCHOOLHOUSE.

Twenty years ago a Christian Endeavor Society was organized in a country schoolhouse three miles from Simsbury, Conn.

It now has about fifteen members composed of Baptist and Methodist young people. The average attendance at the Sunday-evening Endeavor meetings is between thirty and forty young people who come from three to five miles to attend.

In these twenty years this society has given \$995 to missions. They support a native worker in India, and are always alert to their opportunities for practical Christian service in their own neighborhood.

Some time ago they learned of a crippled boy in a Catholic home whose only hope of cure lay in getting to a hospital for treatment, but his parents could not afford to send him. This society provided the funds, sent the boy to the hospital where he received the required attention, and today he has the use of his limbs.—Karl Lehman.

THINGS YOU MIGHT DO.

Hold a cleaning bee in the church.

Support a reading-room, open every day.

Save the church the expense of a janitor by doing his work yourselves.

Station the young men of the society on the sidewalk to invite strangers into the church.

Place in the post-office, depot, and business houses helpful texts of Scripture.

Assist the Sunday-school superintendent in conducting the concerts.

Conduct Sunday services in almshouse, hospital, old ladies' home, the jail, or city mission.

Make a house-to-house canvass of the entire city, to gain recruits for the church and Sunday school.

NOTES ON C. E. TOPIC, MAY 26, 1912.

Subject—"Missionary Progress in Asia."

Acts 13:1-3; 14:19-27.

It would be well in the discussion of this lesson to assign to a number of members a certain country each of Asia, and let that one tell in his way what has been done, is being done, and what is planned for that country. Have a large map of Asia on the wall and as each country is taken, point it out, name its principal cities, tell the race to which it belongs and something of the customs and institutions of the people.

Asia is now the center of interest interest in world progress. Great revolutions and changes are taking place in the countries that comprise this continent. Intelligent men of all lands are looking on with wonder and admiration. Western civilization is fast taking hold upon the people. If we do not convert them to our religion, they may prove a menace to our safety and happiness. It is our duty to do it; if we fail, we shall reap the harvest we have sown—by introducing the evils and fashions of our civilization without the balance wheel of our religion.

China.

History is making in China faster than in any other part of the world, and largely on account of the missionaries and the new light they have brought. The Chinese are introducing railroads, the telegraph, the telephone, modern post-offices, modern education, newspapers, hospitals, education for women, European dress, improved currency, and many other phases of civilization. They are rapidly developing a parliamentary system based on popular government.

China has about 4,600 evangelical missionaries. Campbell White says that this number should be doubled within the next three or four years, but even then what are they in a population counted by hundreds of millions?

Besides the Bible, the missionary takes with him his Western conscience. "On what ground," a recent traveller in China asked a woman missionary, "do you forbid foot-binding as 'unchristian'?" "On the ground that it does violence to the body God gave us," was the reply. This is the modern conception of the body, and the true conception. But what would the faster, the monk, the flagellant

of the Middle Ages say to that? Progress on the mission field, then, means Western civilization.

Japan.

While the Japanese people are rejoicing in their victories and the glory gained on the battle-field, they should be shown that earthly glory vanishes, but that they that are wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

"In taking the Gospel to Japan, we must confront eastern philosophy and racial pride with love. We may not conquer this warlike people for our King by showing the superiority of our material civilization. What the Japanese need is the life of Christ Jesus, as they see it manifested in the lives of his followers."

"Japan is said to be one of the most beautiful of countries in its physical features, but until the Gospel was taken to its people, it missed the chief glory that can come to any land, and its supreme need at the present time is that the light of the life of Christ shall shine in the hearts of its people."

"The assimilation of Korea to Japan, with which it has been united, is progressing rapidly. Korea continues to be one of the centres of genuine evangelical Christianity. The revival spirit is everywhere and constantly among the native churches, whose members seem always eager to speak for Christ and give for Him not only their money, but their time and strength."

India.

"Two-thirds of the people of India profess the Hindu religion. More than half of the remaining third are Mohammedans. There is one Christian to about three hundred of population and half of the Christians are Catholics.

"There is much suspicion of Christ in India. The natives have long regarded their own gods as remorseless tyrants, and they hesitate to admit another Deity to their temples. May they soon learn that Jesus is not a despoiler, but a shepherd, a lover, A Savior."

"We are justified in ascribing one of the 'wise men' from the east, who heralded Jesus in Jerusalem, to the astrological schools of India. God grant that the light of the Star of Bethany, yes, of the Sun of righteousness, may now illumine the minds and hearts of all dwelling amid the ruins of that ancient seer's native land."

"The Indian mind is susceptible of the highest cultivation. The poetry, oratory, literature and art of India compel universal admiration. Her people are worth saving. When they are redeemed from

the intellectual blight and moral debasement of heathenism no other people will do more for the extension and glory of the kingdom than these pathetic millions of sad and lost India."

Other Countries.

Dr. White, of Marsovan, Turkey, mentions several facts that show the change that has come over the people. In two days' stay at Constantinople he never saw a dog, and the streets were cleaner than ever. He met a Turk walking by the side of his wife (the old way is for the man to march in front). The official that did him a favor refused a tip, saying, "The government pays my salary."

Until very recently Tibet has been closed to the gospel. Not long ago one of the China Inland Mission's workers made a journey through interior Tibet, almost unknown territory. He travelled 12,000 miles, riding 381 horses on his route. He carried with him a supply of Tibetan gospels. He was usually, though not always, received in a friendly way in the Lama monasteries. A new door opened: surely this is progress.

The great Korean movement with its watchword, "A Million Souls for Christ," has been followed by another and a greater. Its motto is, "Not only a million souls for Jesus, but the whole land for Jesus." Eighteen months ago several hundred workers opened this campaign. They divided into 350 teams, two in each team, and began to visit from house to house, enrolling seekers. In three weeks 10,000 were enrolled.

Burma is witnessing a revival of Buddhism which is adopting many of the methods of Christianity, such as Young Men's Buddhist Associations; but notwithstanding this, the Spirit of God is winning many victories, especially among the lower tribes that have not come so closely into contact with "civilization."

The missionaries have gained a ready hearing in Siam, especially through their boarding-schools for boys and girls and

their medical missions. The Laos mission in the north has been particularly blessed of God.

The new regime in Persia, the adoption of at least the beginning of constitutional government, has opened many doors to our missionaries, and educational and evangelistic missions have now some access even to the Moslems.

Progress in Turkey is seen in the fact that the Bible is as freely published in Constantinople as it is in London or Edinburgh, and there is no official obstacle to its circulation. The government is trying honestly to give religious freedom to all faiths.

For Daily Reading.

M.—Christ's review: Ephesus, Rev. 2: 1-7.

Tues.—Smyrna, Rev. 2: 8-11.

Wed.—Thyatira, Rev. 2: 18-29.

Thurs.—Sardis, Rev. 3: 1-6.

Fri.—Philadelphia, Rev. 3: 7-13.

Sat.—Laodicea, Rev. 3: 14-22.

Sunday, May 26—Topic.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Since my last report I have received the following amounts:

Parks Cross Roads S. S.	\$1.00
Lebanon S. S.	1.00
Pledge, Rev. Jas. L. Foster	2.00
Pledge, Mt. Zion S. S.	2.50
Pledge, Rev. W. L. Wells	2.25
Cal. pledge, C. A. Hines	2.50
Elon College S. S., by W. T. Noah..	1.00
Pledge, Prof. W. P. Lawrence	5.00
Greensboro S. S. (Walker Ave.) ..	1.00
Total	\$18.25

Will not every individual, C. E. Society and Sunday school that is interested in this phase of our church work, send a contribution? L. I. Cox, Treasurer.

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Rev. J. W. Wellons read his report as Financial Agent of the Theological Chair in Elon College and tendered to the Convention the plates of Wellons Family Prayer and a manuscript on Practical Theology, which matters were referred to the Board of Publications and a vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Wellons.

Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., offered a resolution, "That it be the sense of this Convention that no building should be, at any time, for any purpose, put on the campus of Elon College except for College purposes. That the Trustees of the College and faculty of the same be requested to take such steps as may tend to beautify the grounds about the college, by preserving suitable walks, planting trees, flowers, and grass. That a copy of these resolutions be delivered to the Trustees and Faculty of the College."

After discussion the resolutions were adopted.

Hon. E. E. Holland, Suffolk, Va., and Rev. N. G. Newman, Holland, Va., were elected members of the Executive Committee, Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., being a member, ex-officio.

Rev. L. E. Smith read his report as President of the Young People's Convention. Organized Classes, 70; C. E. Societies, 32; Teacher Training Classes, 41. The financial standing: April 18, 1911, balance on hand, \$43.64, bills outstanding, \$117.00; amounts raised since, \$240.88, balance on hand, \$38.80, bills outstanding (approximately) \$56.25, total indebtedness, \$17.45.

President Smith made a very interesting and helpful address on the "Relation of the Young People's Convention to the Southern Christian Convention."

Rev. C. H. Rowland introduced the following which was adopted: "Whereas in January, 1912, Hon. Robert G. Valentine, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, issued an order forbidding government employees in the Indian Schools to wear sectarian garb while on duty in said schools. And whereas the President of the United States has revoked the order,

Therefore, Resolved: That we express our approval of the order of Commissioner Valentine and ask that it be affirmed and made permanent.

Resolved that copies of this resolution be sent to Hon. Robert G. Valentine, to the Secretary of the Interior and to the President of the United States." Adopted.

The following, introduced by Prof. W. P. Lawrence, was discussed and adopted: "Whereas there is a difference of opinion as to the relation between the Sunday School Board and the Young People's Convention,

Resolved, That according to the records of this Convention as shown at page 10 of the 1908 Annual, page two, (Executive Committee's report) of the 1911 Annual and by the Constitution of the Young People's Convention adopted in 1909, it is the sense of this body that the Sunday-school and Christian Endeavor Boards have been federated, yet without destroying the identity of either, any more than the federation of local churches into a conference destroys the identity of those churches. That we commend to this federation the Home Mission Board as a suitable channel through which to do home mission service." Which was amended as follows: "That the federation herein provided for is intended to apply to the federation of the Christian Endeavor and Sunday school forces in the several Conferences through a common Convention." Adopted.

The report on Christian Endeavor was presented by Rev. C. H. Rowland, Chairman, showing that since this Convention gave its attention to Christian Endeavor first sixteen years ago, five of the seven Conferences have adopted it as an auxiliary to church efficiency, and the most active, aggressive churches now have Christian Endeavor. It recommended that each Conference include Christian Endeavor statistics in its records and that an effort be made to double the number of Societies the next two years.

Appointing a place and preparing a program for next session of the Convention was left to the Executive Committee. A resolution prevailed thanking the people of Elon College for hospitality, in entertaining the members of the Convention.

President Staley announced the following committees (in addition to the members of Mission Boards already named as elected by the body) School and Colleges: W. A. Harper, W. S. Long, W. G. Clements, E. L. Moffitt, W. P. Lawrence. Foreign Missions: N. G. Newman, J. W. Harrell, J. P. Barrett, P. T. Klapp, G. O. Laukford. Publications: J. O. Atkinson, W. T. Walters, W. C. Wicker, C. A. Hines, I. W. Johnson. Sunday schools: H. E. Rountree, L. F. Johnson, J. U. Newman, H. Sholtz, C. E. Newman. Christian Endeavor: C. H. Rowland, R. H. Peel, L. E. Smith, J. O. Cox, D. A. Keys. Executive: W. W. Staley, Chairman, ex-officio, E. E. Holland, N. G. Newman.

A note of thanks was unanimously tendered President Staley and Acting Secretary E. Moffitt for their efficient service during the sessions of the Convention.

It was moved and carried "That the President of the Young People's General Convention report biennially to the Sou-

thern Christian Convention, and that under the general heading of the Young People's General Convention, the Sunday School Board and Christian Endeavor Board make their report."

Voted that the minutes be printed in the Annual.

The Convention, with the Lord's Prayer in concert and benediction by Dr. O. W. Powers, was then adjourned till Tuesday before the 1st Sunday in May of 1914.

Many minor points are eliminated from this report for the sake of brevity, but one reading the above carefully will get the salient facts and plans brought before and adopted by the Convention in its 1912 session, a sessions likely to be memorable in our annals for the actual work and wise counsels adopted.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

The gigantic organizations in modern times contain possibilities of great good and great evil. The great industrial organizations not only increase the necessities, conveniences, and luxuries of life, but imperil human peace and life through strikes and lockouts which would be impossible under old conditions. That human progress requires great organizations in social, political, industrial, and moral endeavor only emphasizes the dangers as well as the blessings which they contain as latent forces. The Titanic disaster would have been impossible under old conditions, and Mississippi floods could not have been so monstrous without levees, because population would not have crowded the banks of the great river but for the confidence the levees inspired among the people. Even wireless increases the dangers of the deep because seamen depend upon its help in peril.

Some things may be considered as essential in the progress of the times, and, among them, character and human sympathy should be counted. Power is reckless and greed is credulous. Few nations have perished in the stages that might be called their weakness. The fallen empires of antiquity fell at the zenith of their glory. Power was degraded to luxury in Babylon and Rome. Greed ignores human sympathy and rushes into danger. Human power, whether embodied in wealth or organization, ought to remember that it has its legitimate uses and limitations: that nature is stronger than man or any work of man: that man and nature are both dependent upon God. The religious element is the saving force in man and institutions: dependence upon God is the life-boat for all organizations.

The desire for personal or corporate gain imperils the means of its own en-

richment unless sanctified by moderation. Temperance in all things is the salt in human progress. The glory of God and the good of mankind should be the goal of human ambition. When capital and labor, employers and employees, learn the lesson of real brotherliness and mutual sympathy, and set limitations to their self-indulgence and self-enrichment, the troubles that arise in mines, in factories, in railroads and stores will be unknown; but these can never be realized till the "rich and the poor" turn their feet to the house of God in grateful thanks and in active service in the interest of the world's salvation. The weal or woe of mankind is common as the Titanic disaster illustrates in tragic experiences. The rich and the poor were rescued together and perished together.

The missionary obligation of Christendom to the great outlying world is the only common ground large enough in its scope to engage the full strength of mankind and it is the only undertaking that can possibly unite all the resources and energies of the great nations. The benevolent enterprise of evangelizing the world would furnish an object large enough in its scope to engage the full strength of Christendom and the effort would banish all the prejudices, hates, conflicts, and mobs that now threaten the safety of nations. Pure and undefiled religion is the panacea for human ills, and the place for it to operate first is in your heart and mine. W. W. Staley.

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ety to forty, from a few thousands to nearly four millions of contributors annually, and from one missionary on the field to an army. The movement is sketched on the background of the enlarged activities of women during the nineteenth century. The educational movement under Mary Lyon, anti-slavery, suffrage and temperance are all disposed of as parts of the movement.

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My Dear Children and Friends:

Our Orphanage children did so nicely their entertainment at college for the Convention that they received many compliments and by the tender expressions and motion of Rev. C. H. Rowland, about \$315.00 was subscribed in a few minutes towards putting water and bath tubs in our Orphanage building. We are deeply grateful for this liberal act and as soon as this money is paid in we will take up the matter. It was all in a moment of good feeling deep sympathy for the orphans and will help so much, for water and bath tubs are a necessity.

Our class of "Buds of Promise" of the Burlington Sunday school are working in a great hurry: they send another \$10.00 for this week, and we thank them so much. Children can do great thing with a leader. We thank Mrs. Montgomery, teacher, and each little one for the 'cash that counts.'

"Our home coming week" as suggested by Miss Jessie Massey, is meeting with favor and see the nice letters as they come. We are glad of the five this week and two last week—send in and run our corner over till we hear from 500 old cousins.

We are grateful for the liberal help coming from so many of our Sunday-schools. It helps us much, we wish all would join in and make a monthly report.

We were at Bethel Christian Church first Sunday in May and the kind friends gave us \$28.72. We thank them all. On May the 4th we had received from this community two little girls and one little boy, and the community had much sympathy for the children.

This gives us 51 children present at the Orphanage—making 7 received within a month. There are four more accepted and expected at any time.

Donations:—We are very grateful to the N. C. Oil Company, Raleigh, N. C., Mr. Garland Jones, Mgr., for 5 sacks of guano. This will help us make corn and cotton. Also we express our deep thanks to the Virginian-Carolina Chemical Co., Durham, N. C., for 5 sacks of fertilizer.

This will add to our garden products and we are very grateful for all help that tends to feed our 51 children.

Mrs. W. B. Bagwell, Durham, N. C., sends us 1 washing machine, and that will help out on the "busy wash days." Thank you, Sister.

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Franklin, Va., Christian Church—more clothing to be added to box sent recently. Thank you, good sisters, for so much help.

Joe Bynum Gay, Jr., Franklin, Va., I lead pencil for each child here—Joe it's a marking time now. Thank you, my little boy.

We have a family of 10 baby pigs and another new calf—and little chickens.

Best wishes to all, Fondly yours,
Uncle Jim.

Franklinton, N. C., May 3rd, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

It is a very great pleasure indeed to be numbered with the "Cousins" again in the "dear old Band." I consider it a compliment to be a "Cousin," and I assure you my interest is deep in this grand and noble work of caring for the Orphans.

My best wishes are that yours may be a long life of usefulness in the work.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Mary Allen Hunt.

Just see how the "old Cousins" are responding—with a prefix to their names—Mary, Mabel and Bessie sign "Mrs." Say, cannot some of our old boys come and say, "Capt." or "Maj.?" Don't let the girls have all the titles.

College Park, Va., May 6, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

In response to your letter and Miss Massey's that I have just read in The Sun, I wish to say that I heartily agree with her idea and thank her for reminding us "old Cousins" of our duty.

I wish to extend my heart-felt love and sympathy to you, Aunt Myrtle, the Orphanage, and all the old and new Cousins. Although the "old cousins" have ceased to write regular letters, I feel sure that they have not forgotten the Corner and will respond to this call for "Home Coming Week."

Enclosed please find one dollar, (\$1.00) as my offering. I wish it were possible for me to send one for each year that I have been absent, but as I am still in college, perhaps you can understand why my gift is so small.

Hoping that the "Old Cousins" will return with hearty good-will and love.

Yours very sincerely,

Blanche Penny.

We are glad to have you with us again,

Blanche, and hope you are succeeding finely in your work. Thank you for so nice a letter and good wishes.

Semora, N. C., May 1, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

As one of the old cousins I take the liberty of addressing you by the title of "Uncle Jim."

I received your letter and in reply send check for two dollars, one for myself and fifty cents each for Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Yarborough.

I think the suggestion to the old cousins a good one, and am in hopes all will respond promptly for if they should, the indebtedness would be in a fair way to be paid.

With best wishes to you in the work.

Your older niece,

(Mrs.) Mabel Yarborough Wells.

Well, Mabel, it sounds good to read your letter and see your name again in the Corner. Hope hundreds of others will respond to Home Coming Week as well as you have done.

Wadley, Ala., April 30, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Am sending my letter and dime to you by "Fader" as he goes to attend the Convention.

You should see our little bantam hen. She is sitting on eight eggs and 'tis great fun to hear her fuss when any one goes near her nest.

Lovingly,

Dwight Hillis Lankford.

And when you see the little downy chickens, Dwight—don't squeeze too hard, as all babies like to do.

McRae, Ga., April 30, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Even the smallest of us enjoys making sand pies these days. The Corner looks so lonely—what has become of Uncle Charlie Newman's little folks?

We enjoy helping papa garden and feed the chickens.

We would love to see you all again this summer, but cannot. We will try to write regularly and send our dimes to help out in some way. With love.

J. Newman Denton.

S. E. Denton, Junior,

Jos. Rabb Denton.

And they do help lots, boys. Don't forget that dimes make dollars. Guess when the little Cousins see such a lonely Corner they'll get their pens in a hurry.

Portsmouth, Va., May 1, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

You said in the Sun that I only sent you 18 cents. I was so busy thinking about going away to Suffolk to spend Eas-

ter with my little cousin and I must have put 4 cents on the letter and 18 cents in instead of 20 cents—for it was the first trip that mother had ever let me take alone and of course I had lots and lots to think of when I came home. I had a pair of new skates and it was the first pair I had ever had and I have been so busy skating that I have neglected writing you and the Cousins.

Enclosed find 20 cents for April and May dues, and two cents for shortage for March.

I will close with love to you and the cousins. From your little nieces,

Blanche and Doris Saunders.

Don't get too busy, little girls, and forget the Corner, for it looks lonely without its friends.

Columbus, Ga., May 6, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I am still sick; it looks like I never will get well. I just hate my doctor; he has given me so much medicine. I still take it every hour. Brother Lankford came down to see me. I enjoyed having him out. I wish he could have brought Mrs. Lankford and Dwight.

My Aunt Mary Lou, from Atlanta came down and stayed two weeks with me and nursed me nearly all the time. I sure liked that. She wanted to take me home with her, but I could not go. I was not well enough and the light hurts my eyes so that I could not have taken the trip—for I cannot go outside the door. Enclosed you will find five cents for the orphans. I close hoping they will have a nice time picnic day. Your loving nephew,

Henry Lewis Redmond.

Thank you, little man, for remembering our little folks, though you are suffering. I trust you may soon be a well boy and not have to take so much badmedicine.

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Sincerely,

L. F. Johnson, Pastor.

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Hold on to your tongue when you are just ready to speak harshly.

Roanoke, Ala.

At our last appointment at Forest Home we held two very delightful services.

We failed to get to our last appointment at Corinth.

I made an effort to get the program for the District Meeting out in The Sun, but by some means or other, it was misplaced, and failed to get out. But we were rained out Saturday, until night, when Brother Hunt preached a good sermon on Faith.

We had a good day Sunday in the dedication of our church house.

Brother Hunt preached us a sermon that was very much enjoyed by all present. We feel like we are in good shape for a good year's work at Rockstand this year in the service of our Master.

We have several members here who are as loyal to their church as anybody, while we have some that are not as consecrated as they ought to be. We are praying that the Lord will give us a revival of religion this year that will bring us all in close touch with Him.

There never has been a time when it was so needful for the professed Christians to stand up and identify themselves as now. God's Word says, "He that is not for me is against me," and so it is; but there are so many who profess Him and yet their lives are against His kingdom. Yours in His service.

J. D. Dollar.

Bethel.

We held our second quarterly meeting at Bethel the 1st Sunday in May. Rev. James L. Foster was with with me on Sunday. He presented the claims of the Christian Orphanage. The collection for Orphanage was \$29.72. It was memorial day. Flowers were placed on all the graves.

T. W. S.

Mt. Zion.

We are expecting to hold our second business meeting Saturday, May 25th and communion service Sunday 26th.

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He had a kind and sympathetic nature and was ever ready to extend a helping hand. He loved his home and his family fondly and they will greatly miss him. The church and the community have suffered a very great loss.

He was buried at Bethlehem; a very large congregation in attendance. Funeral by the writer. Burial by Masons.

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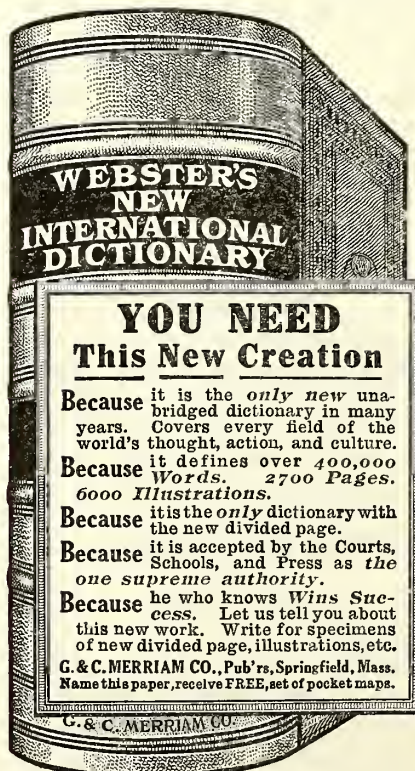
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The Roman corporation, called the Catholic Church, sad misnomer, forms such a large proportion of the so-called Christian world, wields such a potent influence for evil, and has such wealth and power, especially with kings, princes and governments, that everything connected with it is important.

This "church" was organized in the fourth century as the protege of the Roman government. In 381 the tyrant Theodosius, the inventor of the inquisition, made the bishop of Rome pope, as the ruler by which all were to measure their religious faith.

Justinian, the tyrant, subjugated many nations to it in the sixth century; and the kings of France gave the pope his temporal power (A. D. 754) and slaughtered whole nations to his glory in the eighth century. The Greek Church repudiated popery in the tenth century; but the Roman corporation, under the plea of union and uniformity, continued its ravages down to the sixteenth century, when Protestantism arose.

On account of creeds and divisions, Protestantism soon lost its power, and the Roman priests had such gradual but uniform success, up to 1870, that they seemed stronger, even, than, before the "Reformation."

Prussia was the only Protestant nation of any important power on the continent of Europe; and Catholic nations were strong and numerous. France alone, a medley of popery and infidelity, was a common bull-dog for the pope, holding all freedom and reform in check. No nation was considered able to cope single-handed with the French empire. Austria was entirely depraved with popery; Spain blind with Romanism; Portugal priest-ridden; Italy rotten, and the pope-king the proudest monarch in Europe. The Catholic priest was virtually the god of Italy, as the ape was once of Egypt.

In this sad period the pope called a council to declare himself infallible; that is, a deity. Napoleon III declared war against the only Protestant power on the continent. Napoleon was overthrown. His empire fell. The infallible council fled like bats. The "infallible" pope had made a blunder that cost him his throne; and he now sits in the Vatican, making months at, and cursing the king of Italy, and shaking his fist at him, who pays no attention to him. The Bible is now sold in Spain, Austria, Italy and elsewhere in Europe, in countries where so long it had been a sealed book. The pope has become a mock monarch, to whom

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J. J. Summerbell.

THIRTY YEARS AGO AND NOW.

It was William T. Ellis, world-traveler and journalist, himself a product of our young people's movement, receiving his first training in journalism as the editor of a little Christian Endeavor local paper in York, Penn., who said that of nearly three hundred missionaries whom he met on a journey to mission lands practically all who had gone out in this generation said they were there because of the vision received in the missionary work of their young people's societies.

Thirty years ago you could count on the fingers of one hand the books on Christian nurture and child-training. To-day they constitute a fair-sized library.

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Thirty years ago religion and politics did not mix. To-day religion is the best asset a politician can have, and the Sermon on the Mount is being translated into our social and labor legislation.

Thirty years ago the emphasis in religious work was upon individual salvation, and heaven was the goal. To-day emphasis is upon the salvation of the other man, and service is the reward.

Thirty years ago the old sheep were in the fold, and the lambs were largely outside, waiting for an experience. To-day it is the little child that is in the centre of the church's thought and effort, "for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

It is our purpose

To keep our faces toward the light, to test new methods and try out new experiments, holding fast that which is good.

To recognize, but not magnify, the new experiences of the adolescent period, and in every legitimate way, through this period of stress and strain, to hold our boys in normal relations with others, and supply the opportunity for the symmetrical development of their Christian character.

To minister to their social and athletic desires, while at the same time we give them a vision of the higher and deeper things of the spirit, which are the only things that will permanently grip and hold them.

To remember that the church is a great family, and that our young people's societies are to train their members to contribute to the family welfare; that the church is the body of Christ, and that the young people must be trained to take their place in that body so that it may more perfectly express the mind of Christ, its head.

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